



PORTLAND'S *Rain* OF GLASS, INC.

A non-profit organization formed to stimulate interest in collectible glass and to provide educational resources and events for the members and the community at large.

JULY

WHERE: Friendship Masonic Center
5626 NE Alameda Street
Portland, Oregon 97213
N.E. 57th & Sandy

WHEN: Tuesday, July 17, 2007,
6:30 to 9:00 p.m.
(Library open at 6:00 p.m.)

GREETERS: Karen Nissly and
Donna Anderson
(Come early to set up—6:00 p.m.)

SPECIAL:

ANNUAL JULY POTLUCK



PROG provides the meat and beverages. Please bring appetizers, salads, side dishes, bread/rolls and butter or desserts to share. Paper plates and plastic utensils provided. Bring your own place settings if you wish. The theme is:

Vintage Glass and Metal Cookware/Utensils

(Old colored wooden-handled potato mashers, egg beaters, Fire King pie plates, etc.) Pictured above is a vintage Androck Bullet Bakelite Kitchenware Potato Masher

PATTERN OF THE MONTH: "Summer Collectibles"

Bring your favorite collectible or your newest acquisition to talk about and share.

REFRESHMENTS: Contact Michelle Kemp if you can help.

BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, July 10,
at the Friendship Masonic Center, 7:00 p.m.
ALL MEMBERS WELCOME

UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY

8 – Medford Flea Market

14-15 – Palmer/Wirfs Expo,
Portland Expo Center

22 – Rose City Collectors Market,
Airport Holiday Inns Columbia
Conf. Center

AUGUST

4 – Historic Brownsville's Antique
Street Fair, I-5 Freeway Exit 216
To Brownsville

5 – Toledo Antiques & Collectibles
Street Fair

5 – Main Street Madness Antique
Fair, Hillsboro

5 – Lake Oswego Antique & Coll-
ectible Fair, Millennium Park

11 – Aurora Colony Outdoor An-
tiques Faire

18 – *Carole White's BIG
ANTIQUe GARAGE SALE, 9:00
a.m. to 5:00 p.m., 2225 NE
33rd Ave. Be part of the sale!
Donate to PROG! See article
inside!*

Visit the Portland's Rain of
Glass Website for more
interesting Club news:

www.rainofglass.com

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It has been an honor serving as President of your Portland's Rain of Glass for the last year. (yes, for those of you wondering, it is merely co-incidence that Tony Blair stepped down on the same day as myself. I had nothing to do with that, really :>))...

All kidding aside PROG remains an incredibly strong and enthusiastic organization. Sometimes people, myself included, refer to PROG as a "club". But club doesn't get to the heart of what and who we are. Most clubs, when you get down to it, don't do much. We DO things. Not only do we have lively and spirited presentations each month -- with lots of good food and fellowship -- we have our Shows, various displays around town, and, of course Rally. We also have an incredible resource in our library. All this is possible because all of YOU: The enthusiasm you bring to the group, your passion for the subject of glass. The President has little to do with it actually. It is the members that make or break a group. And I am happy to report, this group is "making it"

I hope you all enjoy the July potluck. I will be in the U.K. probably dining on Shepherd's Pie or some-such while you enjoy the Oregon summer's bounty. The identity of the new President, at this writing, remains an unknown, to be chosen by the Board and revealed at the Potluck. Don't you all love a good mystery?

Enjoy the 4th of July too. Where I'm going THEY certainly will not be celebrating THAT. *Jack*

Membership in Portland's Rain of Glass:
\$22.00 for Individual, \$8.00 for each additional member at same address.
Mail dues to: Cindy Thomas, Membership Chair
795 Corby St., Woodburn, OR 97071
or Friendship Masonic Center
5626 NE Alameda, Portland, OR 97213

Presenting The
EVERYBODY
LOVES A
BARGAIN !!!

GARAGE SALE

WHEN: Sat., August 18, 2007

**WHERE: Carole White's home -
2225 NE 33rd Ave., Portland**

**Phone: 503-288-1051 for more
information.**

**WHAT TIME: 9 am - 5 pm
(Come as early as 7 am to set up)**

Here's the deal:

**For a \$5.00 fee to help pay for
advertising and a nice piece of glass
to be donated to next year's Rally
Auction you can bring your antiques
and anything else you want to part
with and sell like crazy all day long.
You may also choose to leave any left
overs - unsold items picked up by a
local charity!
(No damaged or unsaleable items, please)**

Portland's Rain of Glass, Inc.

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JUNE MEETING TOPIC: “Golden Blossoms” by Metlox with Cindy Thomas



Pieces to acquire include a dinner, salad and bread plates; a tab handled, a cereal and a berry bowl; coffee pot and lid, cup and saucer, creamer, sugar, salt and pepper, butter dish with lid, elongated serving bowls, gravy boat, 3 tiered server, and large platter.

Plates have been found for \$4.00-\$8.00 each, cereal and fruit bowls \$3.00-\$5.00. The butter dish, fast stand gravy boat (bottom is attached to bowl) and salt and peppers were \$15.00 - \$20 each and elongated serving bowls \$10.00 each at a Palmer-Wirfs show a few years ago. Expect to pay more for the three tiered server, large platter and coffee pot.

written by Cindy Thomas

In the Poppy Trail line, “Golden Blossoms”, made in California by Metlox in 1953 may be found in local antique malls and shows. Most of what you see on this table came from Portland, Albany and Salem. The mark on the bottom of each piece makes identification easy. It reads “Golden Blossoms” Hand Painted. The shape of the state of California is set behind the words in script that read “Poppy Trail”. The same pattern may be found in pink and the backstamp reads “Peach Blossoms”. There are some pieces where the ‘paint’ shows up where it should not be, such as the dot of green on this cereal bowl. This may be part of the charm - imperfect pieces made by hard working class folks.

The square shape of this dinnerware set makes is unique. Additionally the pattern is ‘raised’ from the surface of each piece which gives it a textured look and adds interest. The Depression Glass pattern Florentine 1 and 2 or “Poppy 1 and 2” goes well on the dinner table for a spring-summer setting. The pattern also looks wonderful with fresh cut Forsythia branches arranged as a centerpiece.



Photo by Neal Skibinski

JUNE MEETING TOPIC: BERRY SETS

Jack Bookwalter

Bagley Art Deco Set

British Art Deco Sets (not Bagley)

British Set (like Empress)

Jewell Gowan

Bristol Strawberry Set

Child's Set

Diana Jones

Jeannette Tree Bark 1950's Set (our raffle item)

Sandra Martin

Heisey Banded Custard Set

Dolores Preas

Jeannette Cherry Blossom Set

Neal Skibinski

Macbeth Evans S Pattern Amber Set

Cindy Thomas

Fenton Blue Carnival Butterfly & Berry Set

Janice Wallace

Heisey Ridgleigh Bowl & Nappy, Cream & Sugar

Carole White

German China Set

Jeannette Doric Green Set

Colleen Wilcox

Riverside Set

Karen Young

Tiffin Athenea or Reverse 44 Set

Photos by Neal Skibinski



Hello, PROG members,

Now that Rally is over I can take a break and thank everyone who graciously donated items to our Auction. Yes, we set another record this year for items sold at the Auction; we had over \$4,800.00 dollars in sales. We don't have the final numbers all tallied as of this writing but I am confident our profits will exceed last years. I would like to thank everyone on the Rally committee who helped by donating time, suggestions and money to make this year so successful. We had a great team.

I would especially like to thank Bob Carlson for volunteering at the last minute to fill a speaker's position that was canceled. His talk on "New Martinsville Glass" and "Liberty Works Glass Company 1923 to 1932" were fantastic. It is amazing he gave both talks and still managed the auction with a smile, thanks again.

I would also like to thank all of our other speakers; Carole Bess White for "Czechoslovakian Glass", Keith Ramey for "The Art Nouveau Period". They were wonderful and informative talks. A special thanks to Walt Lemiski and his wife Kimberly for his wonderful talks on "Smoking Accessories in Glass" and "Vintage Glass Barware". I will always remember "May your glass always be full, Cheers".

Please remember to thank all of those businesses who supported the Rally this year by donating to the auction. Also remember it is not too early to start collecting for next year's Rally.

I would like to thank everyone for allowing me the experience of being the Rally Chair for the past three years. My how time flies. Not to worry, whomever the Rally Chair is next year, I will be there to help. In order to continue the growth of the auction I would like to focus my attentions on acquiring donations, should the new Rally Chair agree of course.

I have had a lot of fun, I hope you have too. If you missed the Rally this year, you should start planning now to attend next year. I know it will even be better.

Thanks to everyone.

Ed Martin

Rally Chairman



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